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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S COMMUNICATION

Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the office communication and the restriction requirement mailed June 13, 2001 and November 2, 2000, respectively, please enter the following remarks below. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) a Petition For Extension Of Time for one month, with appropriate fee; and (b) a Fee Transmittal Sheet.

Remarks

The Examiner has requested that Applicants list all claims "readable" on the provisionally elected embodiment.

In response to the Examiner's communication and the restriction requirement mailed June 13, 2001 and November 2, 2000, respectively, Applicants have the following comments. Since provisionally elected claim 44(g) is overlapping in scope to the pending claims, particularly given that all of the claims are directed to SEQ ID NO:2 (or the corresponding deposited clone), Applicants respectfully point out that claims 29-41, 43-93, 95, 106-110, 112-125 and 127-157 are overlapping in scope. Nevertheless, to the extent that the Examiner requests that Applicants list the claims particularly directed to the provisionally elected embodiment, Applicants point out that claims 51, 66-74, and 154-157 are particularly directed to the embodiment of claim 44(g).